

IEP Task Force Meeting

Minutes - DRAFT

September 4, 2014

- I. Members in Attendance:** The Hon. Matthew Denn - Chair , Dr. Pam Atchison - Delaware Association of School Administrators, Marissa L. Band, Esq. - Delaware State Bar Association, Tracy Bombara - School service provider, Dafne Carnright - Governor's Advisory Council on Exceptional Citizens, Tricia Dallas - Special education teacher, Bill Doolittle - Governor's Advisory Council on Exceptional Citizens, Diane Eastburn - Kent County parent representative, Rep. Debra Heffernan - House Majority Caucus, Mike Hoffmann - Delaware State Education Association, Ruth Lavelle - New Castle County parent representative, Sen. Dave Lawson - Senate Minority Caucus, Laura Manges - Delaware Association of School Administrators, Maryann Mieczkowski - Department of Education, Sen. Nicole Poore - Senate Majority Caucus, Shawn Rowe - Developmental Disabilities Council, Howard Shiber - Governor's Advisory Council on Exceptional Citizens, Meedra Surratte - Parent advocate , Josette Threats - School service provider, Liz Toney - Delaware PTA, Karen Wagamon - Sussex County parent representative.

Members not in Attendance: Rep. Joe Miro - House Minority Caucus, Seth Kopp - Special education teacher.

II. Discussion :

- A. Chairman Lt. Gov. Matt Denn asked for task force members introductions.
- B. Chairman discussed task force responsibilities and purpose. History of IEP development in Delaware.
- C. Kim Siegel from Lt. Gov.'s office presented information on practices in other states.
- D. D. Task Members shared reactions and personal experiences, made suggestions as to how the process could improve.
- E. Public Comment - 5 members of the public presented comments and one written comment was circulated for review by the Task Force members.
- F. Chairman thanked everyone for participation and announced next meeting to occur September 30, 2014 at 4:30 pm.

*****9/5/14 NOTE: AFTER THE MEETING, THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING CHANGED TO SEPTEMBER 23 AT 4:30PM.*****

III. Voting – None

IV. Handouts – Attached electronically.

Audio recordings of the meeting available on the Lieutenant Governor's website:

<http://ltgov.delaware.gov/taskforces/ieptf/>